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Title:

LATERAL CONNECTION SYSTEM

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

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Applicant claims "small entity" status. Statement filed herewith

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